Disposal of Ore Dust in Paddy Fields by Steel Plants

1181. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the Indian Iron Steel Company, TISCO, Rungta Mines, M. L. Jains and such other concerns are throwing ore dust, earth etc. over tribal paddy lands at Dobil, Chotanagra, Jojogutu, Pecha, Kaisa, Baraiburu and Anka villages in Bihar;

(b) whether it is a fact that this results in damage to paddy lands of 100 acres and crops, forests and pollution of Koina, Chiria Gara and Karo rivers;

(c) whether any enquiry has been conducted to study and report in this matter; and

(d) if not, what steps are being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) and (b) No such facts have come to the notice of the Government of India.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Use of Science and Technology during the Seventh Five Year Plan

1182. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the programme for the use of science and technology during the Seventh Five Year Plan period has been finalised;

(b) if so, what are the details there of; and

(c) what are the important sectors of economy which are likely to be covered by the programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Sevenh Plan outlay for major S&T Departments/organisations such as Atomic Energy, Environment, Space, Ocean Development etc. would be Rs. 2466 crores. Besides this, there would be S&T components in all major socio-economic Ministries/Departments.

(c) In the Seventh Five Year Plan document, approved by NDC, it is emphasised that Science & Technology should be an integral part of all sectors of national activity and particularly the major sectors such as, Chemicals, Coal, power, various areas of engineering, fertilisers, industry, agriculture, education, etc. The document has already been placed on the Table of the House.

Ex-servicemen in the Country

1183. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the numerb of ex-service men at present;

(b) the number of those ex-servicemen who have been given employment;

(c) what stps are being taken to give employment to the remaining ex-servicemen in various civil departments and public sector undertakings; and

(d) what is the average number of defence personnel retiring every year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARUN SINGH): (a) Aproximatly 4 million.

(b) The number of Ex-servicemen re-employed during the last four years is as under:—

Year	Total Number
1982	17,439
1983	29,627
1984	36,232
1985 (Upto June, 1985)	12,782